United Nations S/AC.50/2008/9

Security Council

Distr.: General
7 May 2008

Original: English

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006)

Note verbale dated 28 April 2008 from the Permanent Mission of Slovakia to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006), and has the honour to inform the Committee about the steps taken by the Government of the Slovak Republic to ensure implementation of the relevant provisions of resolution 1803 (2008).

The Slovak Republic, as a member State of the European Union, has been taking part in the preparation of the European Union's legal instruments implementing provisions of resolution 1803 (2008) in full. After the adoption of the relevant European Union Council regulation, all legal instruments will be automatically applied to the Slovak national legislation. The legal instruments of the European Union will ensure consistent implementation by member States, and they are also necessary for full implementation by Slovakia.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic has brought to the attention of all relevant institutions and authorities in the Slovak Republic the adoption of resolution 1803 (2008), the obligation to fully implement all its respective paragraphs and the obligation to report all registered attempts to violate sanctions .introduced by resolution 1803 (2008). All the respective institutions and authorities in Slovakia have carried out the necessary steps to ensure full implementation of the above-mentioned resolution. Act 460/2002 on the implementation of international sanctions ensures duties and obligations of all authorities in the Slovak Republic.

The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic is pleased to inform further the Chairman of the Committee that the implementation of resolution 1803 (2008) in the Slovak Republic is also ensured by the following measures:

(a) The wide range of measures introduced into domestic legislation designed to prevent the proliferation of WMD and dual-use goods and technologies as well; the most important relevant legislative toolbox contains Act No. 21/2007 of January 2007, laying down conditions for the control of imports, exports and brokering activities relating to goods and technologies subject to international

control regimes — Australia Group, Nuclear Suppliers Group; Act No. 179/1998, on trading in military materials, according to which it is prohibited to export military material to countries that are subject to United Nations Security Council, EU or OSCE embargoes, and Act No. 541/2004, on peaceful uses of nuclear energy;

(b) Act No. 483/2001, on the policy of banks, which lays out to all banks the duty to notify the list of clients under international sanctions; at the same time, all financial institutions participating in the Slovak financial market are obligated to follow all Council regulations and directly freeze all accounts and other financial assets of persons and entities mentioned in the annexes of the resolution;

(c) The wide range of measures introduced into domestic legislation regarding the entry and transit of persons through territory — Act No. 48/2002, on the stay of aliens; Act No. 300/2005, on the penal code; Act No. 301/2005, on the criminal procedures code; EC regulation No. 562/2006 of the European Parliament and the European Council of 15.3.2006, establishing a community code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code).